

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 2204 - SB 2463**

February 14, 2002

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits the Department of Human Services from hearing petitions to modify a child support order. Requires court approval of any adjustments to child support order made by department.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$592,000 Recurring  
Exceeds \$1,000,000 One-Time**

**Other Fiscal Impact - Jeopardizes federal funding of up to \$33,000,000.**

Assumes:

- Changing requirements for child support would require significant changes in the DHS computer system with an estimated one-time cost exceeding \$1,000,000.
- A need for three additional judgeships and related expenses to deal with the increased court caseload.
- Passage of the bill places the state in violation of federal requirements for the Families First Program. The federal government could reduce federal support by \$1.9 million in the first year.
- The bill could place the state in violation of federal child support requirements with a potential loss of up to \$33,000,000 in federal matching funds.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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